# ASPEN COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

# Spanish Teacher, Kindergarten-Fourth Grades Full-time, salaried position Start date August 2023

Aspen Country Day School seeks a full-time Spanish teacher beginning in the 2023-24 academic year. This PreK-Eighth Grade school is known for its intentional approach to challenging and nurturing children as they build confidence, resilience, and joy in learning. Vibrant academic, arts, and outdoor programs led by dedicated teachers give students a solid foundation for lives of meaning and purpose. At its campus in the heart of the Rocky Mountains, the school welcomes approximately 300 students from throughout the Roaring Fork Valley. It is accredited by the Association of Colorado Independent Schools and a member of the National Association of Independent Schools. Aspen Country Day School is committed to in-person learning in a safe and healthy community.

Aspen Country Day School has long been noted for the strength of its world languages program, which gives students a thorough preparation for high-school level language study. We work collaboratively and intentionally to build students' proficiency in the language, deepen their understanding of diverse cultures, and help them connect their language study to other academic areas and to their everyday lives. As the journey through the grades unfolds, world language becomes a core subject equally weighted with four other academic fields (English, math, science, history).

### Responsibilities include

- Developing language skills through reading, writing, speaking, and listening, using experiential lessons and projects
- Fostering students' enthusiasm for Spanish culture and history, including its impact on Central/South America and other areas of the world
- Collaborating with faculty colleagues to create enriching cross-curricular and project-based learning opportunities
- Engaging fully in the school community and building relationships with students by serving as an advisor, participating on outdoor education trips and ski days, and supervising activities

#### Successful candidates will have

- Experience in teaching, 3-5 years and in lower school grades preferred
- Fluency in Spanish
- A bachelor's or graduate degree
- Excellent interpersonal skills for developing meaningful connections with children, parents, and colleagues
- Capacity and desire to engage with students in experiential activities and programs, including the school's landmark outdoor education program
- Skill, or willingness to develop skills, in the use of technology including Google Workspace for Education and the school's student information system (Blackbaud)

The wage rate for this position will include a salary in the range of \$55,000-75,000, which will be earned August 15 to June 15 but will be paid over the 12-month contract period. Health, dental, and disability insurance, and a retirement plan are additional benefits. To apply, submit cover letter and resume to <a href="mailto:hr@aspencountryday.net">hr@aspencountryday.net</a>

#### **Graduate outcomes**

#### Aspen Country Day School students become

- critical thinkers and problem solvers
- independent learners who also collaborate effectively with peers
- confident and self-aware individuals who are curious and resourceful
- self-directed learners who recognize their potential and persevere to fulfill it
- responsible citizens who contribute positively to a community
- global thinkers whose outlook is grounded in a sense of place and environmental responsibility

#### Attributes of a teacher

## Aspen Country Day School teachers have

- power to inspire children
- content mastery
- knowledge of students and their needs, and the ability to teach to a range of learners
- skills in integrating educational technology and in collaborating with colleagues
- commitment to embrace the school's mission and enhance its culture
- complementary skills that enrich the programs of the school
- authentic commitment to lifelong learning through professional development
- a positive approach as ambassadors for the school

Aspen Country Day School provides equal employment opportunity to all applicants and employees without regard to age, race, sex, color, religion, national origin, disability, military status, genetic information, sexual orientation, or any other status protected by applicable law. The school's statement of diversity, equity, and inclusion is <a href="https://example.com/html/>here">here</a>.